Beaverton Committee for Citizen Involvement (BCCI)

August 22, 2011

Board Members:

Ray Bowman, At Large, Chair
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Jim Persey, Greenway
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City Council: Marc San Soucie

City Staff: Lani Parr

Guest: John Valley, U.S. Senator Merkley's field representative

The meeting was called to order by Ray Bowman, Chair, at 7:01 PM

The customary personal introductions at the start of the meeting were made.

Review and Approval of the Minutes from the Previous Meeting.

Minutes for the July 25th meeting will be reviewed at the September 16th BCCI meeting.

U.S. Senate Update

John Valley, representative for U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley, was present at today's meeting. He discussed the Senator's plans in the coming months and explained his role as Senator Merkley's representative.

Treasurer's Report.

Terry Lawler, BCCI Treasurer, informed the Board that there is \$1,699.22 in the checking account. The Board accepted the Treasurer's report.

City Report.

Mr. Randy Ealy, Assistant to the Mayor, was unable to make the BCCI meeting, so City staff member Lani Parr spoke on his behalf. Lani Parr told us about the 2011 Legislative Report, which was provided to the BCCI members. This report serves as an overview of the annual sessions. The legislative report will be presented by our State lobbyist at our September meeting. If you have any questions, you can email Lani Parr.

City Council Report.

The City Council, Mayor, and department heads are about to begin interviews of candidates for our open City Attorney position. This is one of the very few positions for which the City

Council has formal hiring authority. Because the city attorney works with everyone in the city government, the Mayor's office will play a very substantial role in making the selection. We have seven qualified candidates. The process will be concluded within a week or two.

City Councilor Marc San Soucie encouraged everyone to visit the City Council page on the city web site to hear the presentation made to the Council on August 9 by the task force looking into options for expanded space for the police, court, and general government. Currently, the police, court, and general government are in an undersized building, and the task force is working on a specific set of recommendations for how to remedy this chronic, long-term problem. The City Council agenda and video can be found at this address:

www.beavertonoregon.gov/index.aspx?nid=268

On July 12, the City Council referred the Central Beaverton Urban Renewal Plan to the voters for the November 8 election. The City will be distributing information explaining the plan and the objectives for Central Beaverton. Councilor San Soucie encouraged everyone to read about the plan so that they can be an informed and educated voter.

The City issued a Request for Qualifications for a developer for the block of property recently acquired at 1st and Lombard. Three firms returned qualifying responses and will receive the more specific Request for Proposals. If one or more of the respondents makes a proposal that satisfies our objectives, negotiations about the particulars will begin. We hope to see a substantial number of units of workforce housing on the site, with some ground-floor service and retail facilities.

We are still waiting to hear from Housing and Urban Development (HUD - Federal government) about a grant application Providence made for funds to support development of a residential building oriented toward seniors, on property the city owns at 1st and Main.

Land Use Subcommittee Report.

Jim Persey, subcommittee Chair, informed the Board that there are no new text amendments. He also discussed legislative zoning maps and going before the Planning Commission.

Mr. Persey went on to discuss reviewing the bylaws. It was agreed that BCCI chair and vice-chairs can only serve for two years. Another issue mentioned was being able to limit the number of years for the position of treasurer to prevent illicit activity.

Some other ideas brought up during this discussion included having the bank statements reviewed by the chair and vice-chair. The chair should always be ensured a copy of the bank statement. BCCI members agreed that the recorder should have no restrictions on his or her term limit.

The next topic that was discussed was the rights of At-Large Alternates. Based on the straw vote, it was determined that At-Large Alternates have the right to vote in BCCI meetings as long as there are only three At-Large Alternates on BCCI. The changes in the Bylaws will be

reviewed before the November dinner meeting. After this, the city attorney will review the BCCI amended Bylaws.

Neighborhood Involvement Subcommittee Report.

Sharon Dunham, subcommittee chair, informed BCCI that fifteen people had completed the preliminary survey. There were lots of good suggestions proposed in the survey responses. The second draft of the survey is now on the Beaverton city website, but no further people have been invited to take it yet. The survey has been modified based on the suggestions of the surveyors. Some of the needs that many citizens mentioned from the survey were senior assistance and student mentoring. Out of all the new names proposed in place of NAC, Citizen Involvement Committee received the most votes. One issue that was pointed out was making it clear that NAC membership is based on one's geographic location.

New Initiatives Subcommittee Report.

Current chair, Franziska Edwards, was unable to attend tonight's meeting. New Initiatives is in need of a new chairperson. Bill Berg has volunteered to serve as the new chairperson.

Visioning Committee Open House

The Open House will take place on August 27th. The purpose of this event is to inform the public of what BCCI does in the community. BCCI will be represented with the neighborhood program. We need volunteers to help present at the BCCI booth.

Urban Renewal Forums

City of Beaverton is hosting the Neighborhood Forums from 6:30-8:00 p.m. on September 8, 14, and 22nd. Ask questions and learn about the urban renewal plan, which will be on the November 8th ballot. Refreshments will be provided. If you are interested in attending or volunteering at one or more of the events, please contact Lani Parr at lparr@beavertonoregon.gov.

NAC Quarterly Leadership Meeting

The NAC Leadership Meeting will be at City Hall (1st Floor Conference Room) on Wednesday, August 23rd. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. and end at 7 p.m. We will have dinner for everyone who attends. At this meeting, we will be discussing NAC involvement in upcoming Neighborhood Forums, recap summer events, and the upcoming elections.

The meeting adjourned at 8:59PM.

Minutes prepared by Yamini Naidu.